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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2001, for which the period for response has been extended three months, i.e., up to and including January 17, 2002, by the Petition for Extension of Time and requisite fee submitted herewith, please enter the following amendment and reconsider the above-captioned application in view of the following remarks.

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